2006 National Fair Housing Policy Conference

JUNE 26 - 29, 2006 Conference Agenda

MONDAY

June 26TH

Registration All Day

6:00 p.m.

Conference Opening

7:30 p.m.

Conference Reception

TUESDAY

June 27TH

Registration All Day

8:00 a.m. - 9:00 a.m. **GENERAL SESSION**

A Diverse Fair Housing Movement: Building on Our Strength Through Collaboration

Moderator: Bryan Greene, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Enforcement & Programs, HUD FHEO

Speakers: Mara Sidney, Ph.D., Professor, Rutgers University

Susan Scovill, Director, HOME

9:15 a.m. - 10:45 a.m.

FOCUS GROUPS

- 1. Payment & Performance St&ards
- 2. State & Local Actions that Affect Substantial Equivalency
- 3. National Grant & Cooperative Agreement Policy Development
- 4. Promoting Consistency in Grant/Cooperative Agreement Administration
- 5. Sharing Enforcement Information

8:00 a.m. - 5:30 a.m.

LEGAL SEMINAR (Pre-Registered Participants)

10:45 a.m. – 11:15 a.m.

BREAK

11:15 a.m. – 12:45 p.m.

GENERAL SESSION

Working Together to Promote the Positive Development of Fair Housing Law

Moderator: Kim Kendrick, Assistant Secretary for Fair Housing & Equal Opportunity, HUD

Speakers: Grace Becker, Deputy Assistant Attorney General for Civil Rights, US DOJ

Harry Carey, Associate General Counsel, HUD OGC

Elizabeth Rosen-Prinz, Regional Director, California State Department of Fair

Employment & Housing

12:45 – 2:15 p.m. LUNCH ON OWN 2:15 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.

GENERAL SESSION

Legal Update

Moderator: Cheryl Ziegler, General Deputy Assistant Secretary, HUD FHEO

Speakers: Harry Carey, Associate General Counsel, HUD OGC

Steve Rosenbaum, Chief, Housing & Civil Enforcement Section, Civil Rights Division, US

DOJ

3:30 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

BREAK

HUD/FHEO T/A Office Hours

4:00 - 5:30 p.m.

FOCUS GROUPS

- 1. Legal Issues Emerging from New Technology
- 2. Application of the Continuing Violation Theory in Design & Construction Cases
- 3. HUD's New Efforts on Secretary Initiated Investigations
- 4. Interpreting the 1st Amendment
- 5. Fair Housing for Immigrants in a Post 9/11 World
- 6. Making Housing Unavailable: Post-Halprin Implications

WEDNESDAY

June 28TH

Registration All Day

8:00 a.m. - 9:30 a.m.

GENERAL SESSION

Everyone Needs A Place to Call Home: The American Dream

Moderator: Bryan Greene, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Enforcement & Programs, HUD FHEO

Speakers: Kenneth Markinson, Esq., Mortgage Bankers Association

Stella Adams, Executive Director, North Carolina Fair Housing Center

Robert Avery, Economist, Federal Reserve Monetary & Financial Studies Section,

Division of Research & Statistics

8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

LEGAL SEMINAR (Pre-Registered Participants)

9:30 - 10:00 a.m.

- BRFAK
- HUD-FHEO T/A Office Hours

10:00 a.m. - Noon

FOCUS GROUPS

- 1. All Cases Are Not Equal: The Complexity & Expense of Fair Lending Cases
- 2. Proactively Combating Sales Discrimination & Predatory Lending
- 3. The Dual Problem of Redlining & Reverse Redlining
- 4. Are Minority Communities Undervalued?
- 5. Just The Neighborhood For You!

12:00 noon - 1:30 p.m.

LUNCH ON OWN

OTHER LUNCH OPTIONS (LIMITED SPACE)

- HUD-FHEO T/A Office Hours
- Author Chat Brownbag lunch event: James Loewen, Ph.D., Sundown Towns

1:30 p.m.– 3:00 p.m.

GENERAL SESSION

Everyone Needs A Place to Call Home: Welcoming Neighborhoods

Moderator: Brian Sullivan, Public Affairs Specialist, HUD Office of Public Affairs

Speakers: Paul Hancock, Esq., Hogan & Hartson, LLP

Shanna Smith, Executive Director, National Fair Housing Alliance

Robert Avery, Economist, Federal Reserve Monetary & Financial Studies Section,

Division of Research & Statistics

3:15 p.m. – 4:45 p.m.

FOCUS GROUPS

- 1. Accessibility in Private Housing
- 2. Barriers to Housing Choice
- 3. No Kids Allowed: Lack of Housing for Families with Children
- 4. Beyond Black & White: Discrimination Against Other People of Color
- 5. Housing Challenges for New Immigrants

THURSDAY

June 29TH

8:00 a.m. - 9:00 a.m. **GENERAL SESSION**

The Role of Fair Housing in Disaster Response: Building a Toolkit for Inclusion - Part I

Co-Moderators: David Blackwood, Associate Deputy Assistant Secretary for Special Initiatives & Liaison

Activities, HUD FHEO

Karen Newton, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Operations & Management, HUD FHEO

Speakers: Lynn Grosso, Senior Equal Opportunity Specialist, Denver Region

Hope File, Director, FHEO Office of Systemic Investigations Dita McCarthy, Director of Fair Housing, Mississippi Legal Services

Jackie L. Williams, Ph.D., Director of Rural & Economic Development, HUD CPD James Perry, Executive Director, Greater New Orleans Fair Housing Action Center

8:00 a.m. - 3:45 p.m.

LEGAL SEMINAR (Pre-Registered Participants)

9:15 a.m. - 10:45 a.m.

Disaster Response: Tabletop Exercises

10:45 a.m. – 11:15 a.m.

BREAK

11:15 a.m. - 12:15

GENERAL SESSION

The Role of Fair Housing in Disaster Response: Building a Toolkit for Inclusion – Part II

Co-Moderators: David Blackwood, Associate Deputy Assistant Secretary for Special Initiatives & Liaison

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Karen Newton, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Operations & Management, HUD FHEO

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12:15 - 1:45 p.m.

LUNCH ON OWN

OTHER LUNCH OPTIONS (LIMITED SPACE)

- HUD-FHEO T/A Office Hours
- Author Chat Brown bag lunch event: Dalton Conley, Ph.D., Professor of Sociology & Public Policy, New York University, Being Black—Living in the Red

1:45 p.m. - 3:15 p.m.

GENERAL SESSION

Measurements of Success

Moderator: Karen Newton, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Operations & Management, HUD FHEO

Speakers: Bryan Greene, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Enforcement & Programs, HUD FHEO

Erica Navarro, Program Examiner, Office of Management & Budget

3:15 p.m. – 3:45 p.m. BREAK

3:45 p.m. - 5:15 p.m.

FOCUS GROUPS

- 1. Toppling the Tower of Babel: The Need for Consistent Enforcement Terms in Fair Housing
- 2. What is the Extent of the Problem?
- 3. How Do We Know If Enforcement is Effective?
- 4. Meaningful Outcomes that Measure Performance
- 5. I Read The News Today, Oh Boy: Publicizing Fair Housing Success Stories
- 6. Survey Says: The Role of Fair Housing Education & Outreach

6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Conference Dinner